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The Honorable Thomas Barnett
Assistant Attorney General
Antitrust Division
United States Department of Justice
950 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

The Honorable Kevin J. Martin
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Assistant Attorney General Barnett and Chairman Martin:

As the host of "*Demolition Radio*," I support the pending merger of SIRIUS and XM. My weekly program airs on "Faction," Channel 28, which was created by SIRIUS for action sports fans. "*Demolition Radio*" provides a forum to discuss skating and the action sports lifestyle, to play music that caters to enthusiasts of this lifestyle, and to have conversations with special guests and listeners.

Many of satellite radio's biggest fans are young consumers who are drawn to the cutting edge music and other progressive content offered on SIRIUS and XM. I understand that the merger will allow the new company to offer a variety of exciting new programming packages, some of which will enable subscribers to choose specific channels at lower monthly prices than are available today.

While these new choices will benefit all subscribers, they may be especially important to young listeners who are looking for innovative music and talk programming geared toward their interests, but who also are on limited budgets. With some packages available for as little as $6.99 a month after the merger, some young consumers may be able to afford satellite radio for the first time once this deal is finalized.

Those same inexpensive programming packages will also allow young listeners to select the specific channels they want. With the a la carte "Pick 50" option, listeners can choose 50 channels to receive on their radios, without having to shuffle through –or pay for – the stations they don't like.

For these reasons I believe that this merger is in the public interest and I look forward to the merger of SIRIUS and XM being approved as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Tony Hawk